



HEARST ELEMENTARY
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Dear prospective Kindergarten parent:

Welcome to Hearst Elementary! We hope this information provides answers to some frequently asked questions.

Kindergarten readiness

The only requirement for entering kindergarten in California is that the student is at least 5 years old by December 2, 2011. As in all public schools, our students are not required to know their letters and numbers before entering kindergarten. Our Kindergarten teachers are most interested in the student having listening skills, respecting the property of others, following directions, and being able to care for their own needs and their belongings.

Physical Education

Run/walk program daily 7:30-7:45 am (optional) on lower field (times subj. to change)
Scheduled PE class with PE coach at least 60 minutes weekly
Additional physical education time with classroom teacher

Kindergarten snack/lunch/recess

Snack/recess: Daily midmorning break on the kindergarten playground with 15 minutes for eating and 15 minutes for playing.

Lunch/recess: Students are accompanied to lunch arbor to buy lunch. They eat first in the kindergarten yard, and then play there for the remainder of the 40minute break. Grade levels are staggered (the kindergarteners are not eating at the same time as the 5th graders!).

Parents can prepay for lunch (\$2.00) and breakfast (\$1.00) in the office by check or cash or pay on-line with 3 day notice. Free/Reduced lunch applications will be sent home the 1st week of school or can be completed on-line, and generally take 3-4 weeks to process.

Safety at Dismissal time

Kindergartners are held in their classrooms until they are turned over to their responsible adult at the appropriate gate.

Supplies

The school supplies instructional materials for all students. Each classroom has a wish list for parents. Please supply a child sized backpack (large enough for an 8 ½ “x 11” folder). Please **do not** purchase a rolling backpack for your child. **Please keep an extra set of clothes in backpacks.**

Classroom Links

Follow “class links” from www.sandi.net/hearst to browse the kinder classroom web pages. See pictures and classroom projects in progress.